Record Nr. UNINA9910786722803321 Autore Richardson Laurel Titolo After a fall: a sociomedical sojourn / / Laurel Richardson Pubbl/distr/stampa London;; New York:,: Routledge,, 2016 **ISBN** 1-315-43531-4 1-315-43532-2 1-315-43533-0 1-61132-318-5 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (270 p.) Disciplina 362.16 Soggetti **Patients** Nursing homes Long-term care of the sick Foot - Wounds and injuries - Patients Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali First published 2013 by Left Coast Press, Inc. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references. Nota di contenuto Fear of falling -- We don't know why yet -- Help me ... help me --What is right -- Lo and behold -- You have lots of friends -- Snake pit -- A time to every purpose -- Kiss me ... kiss -- Down with the bad, up with the good -- Food good for women -- Training wheels -- The forever home -- Temporily abled. For renowned sociologist and writer Laurel Richardson, a broken foot Sommario/riassunto led to a month as a patient in an extended care facility. In this compelling description of her lived experience in one of these institutions, she addresses key questions of health delivery and behavior: nurses who can be angelic or cruel, institutional policies often structured to maximize income over care, and patients whose behavior often does not mirror the severity of their condition. She points to

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classes, and to an underclass of health workers-o